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Serial No. 09/856,025)	
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Sir:

This is responsive to the February 19, 2003 Office Action, wherein restriction of the claims is required regarding the above-referenced patent application. A Request for Extension of Time is filed herewith.

The Office Action requires restriction to one of three groups of claims.

Group I: Claims 1-22, and 29-32 drawn to an isolated thermostable xylanase, modified xylanase of family 11 and a recombinant xylanase.;

Group II: Claims 23-24, drawn to a method of obtaining a family 11 xylanase by selecting the organism expressing said xylanase, and

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Group III: Claims 25-28, drawn to a method of preparing animal feed comprising applying the xylanase of group I.

Applicants provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-22, and 29-32, with traverse.

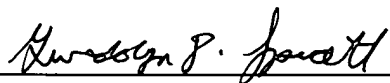
A Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment in the amount of \$110.00 for a one (1) month extension of time fee and a Request for Extension of Time are enclosed. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.



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